TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON NOTICE OF MIDPOINT REALISTIC OPPORTUNITY REVIEW

Docket Number: BUR-L-1605-15

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Florence, County of Burlington, posted its Mid-Point Review Report on its municipal website at https://www.florence-nj.gov/ with a copy of the Report provided to Fair Share Housing Center ("FSHC").

The requirement for a midpoint realistic opportunity review derives from the Fair Housing Act at N.J.S.A. 52:27D-313 and the purpose and process is set forth in Florence Township's Court-approved Settlement Agreement with FSHC. The purpose of the midpoint realistic opportunity review is for Florence Township to provide a status report as to the Township's implementation of its Plan and an analysis of whether any unbuilt sites or unfulfilled mechanisms continue to present a realistic opportunity.

Any interested party may submit comments to Florence Township, with a copy to FSHC, regarding whether any sites no longer present a realistic opportunity and should be replaced. Comments shall be submitted in writing no later than July 31, 2020. Any interested party may by motion request a hearing before the Court regarding these issues. In the event the Court determines that a site or mechanism no longer presents a realistic opportunity and should be replaced, then Florence Township shall have the opportunity to supplement or revise its plan to correct any deficiency.

To facilitate this process, Florence Township placed on file with the Township Clerk a copy of the Mid-Point Review Report and posted the Report on its municipal website. This Report will be available for public inspection on July 1, 2020 at the office of the Florence Township Clerk, Florence Township Municipal Building, 711 Broad Street, Florence Township New Jersey 08518, during normal business hours or by appointment if the municipal building is still closed due to the pandemic or it will be mailed upon request.

Florence Township requests that all comments provide: 1) A clear and complete statement as to each aspect of the municipality's housing element and fair share plan contested as no longer presenting a realistic opportunity and should be replaced; 2) An explanation of the basis for each comment; 3) Copies of all such expert reports, studies, or other data relied upon by the commenter; 4) Proposed modifications, changes, or other measures which the commenter contends would resolve the comment; and 5) an explanation of how the commenter's proposals are consistent with applicable law.

Such comments, together with copies of any supporting affidavits or other documents, must be filed in writing, on or before July 31, 2020 and mailed to Kelly Grant, Municipal Attorney, 457 Haddonfield Road, Suite 500, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 and/or emailed to kgrant@malamutlaw.com with copies of all papers being forwarded by mail or e-mail to:

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